

REMARKS

For the convenience of the Examiner set forth below is a recapitulation of the current status of the Claims in the present Application.

CLAIM	STATUS	DEPENDENCY
1	Canceled	—
2	Currently amended	11
3	Original	2
4	Currently amended	11
5	Currently amended	4
6	Original	5
7	Canceled	—
8	Currently amended	12
9	Original	8
10	Currently amended	12
11	New	Independent
12	New	11

Comments of Primary Examiner Janet Marie WILKENS have been reviewed carefully along with pertinent sections of the Patent Act, Patent Rules, the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, legal treatises and relevant decisional law. In accordance with Primary Examiner WILKENS requirements, allowance of the Application, as amended, is solicited earnestly.

The Examiner has stated that Claim 1 would be allowed if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112.

The Examiner has stated Claims 2-10 would be allowable if rewritten to include the rejections under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly Claim 1 has been canceled and the subject matter of Claim 1 is presented as new Claim 11. No new matter has been added. New Claim 11 is believed to be patentable. New Claim 11 follows the suggestions made by the Examiner.

Claims 2, 5, 6, 8 and 10 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

Claim 7 has been canceled and the subject matter of Claim 7 is presented as new Claim 12. No new matter has been added.

New Claim 12 is believed to be patentable.

The status of the Claims is as follows:

Claims 1 and 7 have been canceled.

Claims 2, 4, 5, 8 and 10 have been amended.

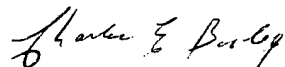
Claims 3, 6 and 9 are original.

Claims 11 and 12 are new.

In view of the foregoing amendments, submissions and explanations, it is believed that Claims 2-6 and 8-12, as amended, are in condition for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance on the Application will be appreciated.

Courtesy, cooperation and skill of Primary Examiner Janet Marie WILKENS are appreciated and acknowledged.

Respectfully,



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